

I believe it would be a terrible mistake to allow utility companies to implement Broadband over Power Lines. Recently, field testing by the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) has revealed what many of us have already feared - that interference to the Amateur Radio Service on the HF bands will be pervasive and severe. There are already sufficient technical alternatives for delivering broadband service capabilities to both urban and rural areas. Also, there has been little or no concern shown for the interference that the BPL signals will create for AM broadcast radio, particularly in fringe reception areas, nor to the many small electronic devices attached to the power lines. Widespread use of BPL in the USA would result in the demise of the use of the amateur HF frequencies, and the equipment industry that serves the hundreds of thousands of amateurs in the USA would be effectively killed. Please do not allow the implementation of BPL.